Ezra G. Hayes personal narrative S0614

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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Ezra G. Hayes was born on August 22, 1827 to Joseph and Nancy (Billingsley) in Dearborn County, Indiana. Over his long life, he was involved in farming, live stock trading, banking, real estate and mining. General William Henry Harrison, 9th President of the United States, was a neighbor and a friend of his father's and Benjamin Harrison, the 23rd President, was Ezra's school-mate and play-mate. Hayes was appointed an aide to Indiana Governor Oliver P. Morton with a rank of colonel during the U.S. Civil War. In 1865, Mr. Hayes was appointed to a committee that looked after the bonds and other financial matters relating to the federal government and served on the committee for four years. In 1867, Mr. Hayes was the guest of Mr. Conlow, a commissioner of the Union Pacific Railroad, at the ceremonial driving of the golden spike in Ogden, Utah.

Ezra Hayes married Laura Morgan on October 22, 1851 and they had nine children. They were married until her death on November 3, 1874. On February 14, 1876 he married Caroline Major. He passed away on June 7, 1919 in Lawrenceburg, Dearborn County, Indiana and was buried in the Greendale Cemetery, a cemetery that he and two others laid out in 1867.

Source:

Items in the collection.

FindaGrave.com. "Hayes, Ezra G." *Find A Grave Index*. Accessed August 12, 2015. http://www.findagrave.com.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains three typewritten copies of the life story of Ezra G. Hayes that he dictated to Caroline M. Hayes. Hayes' narrative ranges from 1705 to the early 1900s. This collection was made from a copy owned by Mrs. Jacob Bauer of Lawrenceburg, Indiana in 1933 and it includes Mr. Hayes' family history, his many business pursuits, early history of Dearborn County, Indiana, and his viewpoints on the politics and elections during his lifetime. Also included are three copies of a poem titled, "The Little Girl of Long Ago" and a page with some brief typewritten notes that refer to the Hayes' manuscript and requested corrections to the narrative.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

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Publication Information

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Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Dearborn County (Ind.)
- Indiana--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
- United States--Politics and government--19th century

Personal Name(s)

- Harrison, Benjamin, 1833-1901
- Harrison, William Henry, 1773-1841
- Morton, Oliver P. (Oliver Perry) 1823-1877

Subject(s)

- Family history
- Frontier and pioneer life--Indiana
- Indiana--History--Floods
- Indiana--Politics and government--19th century
- Personal narratives
- Poetry